

CONGRATULATING AND SALUTING THE SEVENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF
THE AIRCRAFT OWNERS AND PILOTS ASSOCIATION (AOPA) AND THEIR
DEDICATION TO GENERAL AVIATION, SAFETY AND THE IMPORTANT
CONTRIBUTION GENERAL AVIATION PROVIDES TO THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 8, 2009.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Mr. OBERSTAR, from the Committee on Transportation and
Infrastructure, submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany]

[Including cost estimate of the Congressional Budget Office]

The Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to whom was referred the resolution (H. Res. 472) congratulating and saluting the seventieth anniversary of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) and their dedication to general aviation, safety and the important contribution general aviation provides to the United States, having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the resolution be agreed to.

PURPOSE OF THE LEGISLATION

House Resolution 472 congratulates and salutes the seventieth anniversary of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association (AOPA) and its members' dedication to general aviation, safety, and the important contribution general aviation provides to the United States.

BACKGROUND AND NEED FOR LEGISLATION

AOPA was incorporated on May 15, 1939, as a non-profit organization dedicated to general aviation. AOPA represents more than 414,000 members, which is about 70 percent of U.S. pilots. In 1950, AOPA created the Air Safety Foundation, which provides general aviation pilots with training, education, research, information on safety and pilot issues.

AOPA was a leading advocate of the General Aviation Revitalization Act of 1994 (P.L. 103-298), which led to the recovery of the U.S. general aviation light aircraft manufacturing industry. In recent years, AOPA has been active on many general aviation issues, such as Global Positioning System navigation, flight service station

modernization, Federal Aviation Administration reauthorization, and the Next Generation Air Transportation System (NextGen).

SUMMARY OF THE LEGISLATION

H. Res. 472 congratulates and salutes the seventieth anniversary of AOPA and its dedication to general aviation, safety, and the important contribution that general aviation provides to the United States. In addition, the resolution commends AOPA for: creating the Air Safety Foundation, leading the recovery of the general aviation light aircraft manufacturing industry, and setting the stage for the development of NextGen by being an early proponent of the civilian use of Global Positioning Systems.

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY AND COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION

On May 21, 2009, Representative Charles W. Dent introduced H. Res. 472. This resolution was not introduced in a previous Congress.

RECORD VOTES

Clause 3(b) of rule XIII of the House of Representatives requires each committee report to include the total number of votes cast for and against on each record vote on a motion to report and on any amendment offered to the measure or matter, and the names of those members voting for and against. There were no recorded votes taken in connection with considering H. Res. 472 or ordering the resolution reported. A motion to order H. Res. 472 reported favorably to the House was agreed to by voice vote with a quorum present.

COMMITTEE OVERSIGHT FINDINGS

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(c)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee's oversight findings and recommendations are reflected in this report.

COST OF LEGISLATION

With respect to the requirements of clause 3(d)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, H. Res. 472 is a resolution of the House of Representatives, and therefore does not have the force of law. As such, there is no cost associated with this resolution for fiscal year 2009, or for any fiscal year thereafter.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XIII

1. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(2) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, and 308(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee advises that the resolution contains no measure that authorizes funding, so no comparison of the total estimated funding level for the relevant programs to the appropriate levels under current law is required.

2. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(4) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee advises that the resolution contains no measure that authorizes funding, so no statement of general performance goals and objectives for any measure that authorizes funding is required.

3. With respect to the requirement of clause 3(c)(3) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives and section 402 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Committee advises that the resolution contains no measure that authorizes funding, so no cost estimate nor comparison for any measure that authorizes funding is required.

COMPLIANCE WITH HOUSE RULE XXI

Pursuant to clause 9 of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, H. Res. 472, does not contain any congressional earmarks, limited tax benefits, or limited tariff benefits as defined in clause 9(d), 9(e), or 9(f) of rule XXI of the Rules of the House of Representatives.

CONSTITUTIONAL AUTHORITY STATEMENT

With respect to clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII of the Rules of the House of Representatives, H. Res. 472 is a resolution of the House of Representatives and therefore does not have the force of law. As such, clause 3(d)(1) of rule XIII does not apply.

FEDERAL MANDATES STATEMENT

H. Res. 472 contains no federal mandates.

PREEMPTION CLARIFICATION

Section 423 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 requires the report of any Committee on a bill or joint resolution to include a statement on the extent to which the bill or joint resolution is intended to preempt state, local, or tribal law. The Committee states that H. Res. 472 does not preempt any state, local, or tribal law.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE STATEMENT

No advisory committees within the meaning of section 5(b) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act are created by this legislation.

APPLICABILITY TO THE LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

The Committee finds that the legislation does not relate to the terms and conditions of employment or access to public services or accommodations within the meaning of section 102(b)(3) of the Congressional Accountability Act (P.L.104-1).

CHANGES IN EXISTING LAW MADE BY THE BILL, AS REPORTED

H. Res. 472 makes no changes in existing law.